

**APPENDIX E**

Evaluation of a signaling system may be performed at a—many different times. For example, evaluation may performed during a manufacturing process, at system start-up, when a communication failure is detected, or during normal operation of a signaling system. Evaluation may be performed occasionally between periods of communication of user data between the transmit circuit and the receive circuit. As an example of evaluation at system start-up, evaluation may be performed before the system is operating normally and ready to communicate user data.